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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN AND TREASURER

OF THE

TOWN OF HOPKINTON,

TOGETHER WITH THE REPORT OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

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AUDITORS' REPORT

OF THE

SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT.

1st. Wherein they find them chargeable with cash received in sundry ways, as follows : —

Cash received for savings-bank tax	\$2,293 03	
railroad tax	221 36	
literary fund	140 61	
insurance tax	5 25	
county paupers	358 53	
state bounty on crows		
and hawks	5 70	
house rent	6 00	
use of hearse out of		
town	3 00	
highway tax, Dist. No.		
18	2 06	
use of derrick	4 00	
sale of old plank and		
stone	4 10	
		\$3,043 64

Which is accounted for as follows : —

Cash paid into the town treasury, as	
per treasurer's receipts	\$3,043 64

2d. An account wherein they find the	
selectmen charged with orders	
drawn on the treasurer amount-	
ing to	\$11,941 58

SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

Which are accounted for as follows:—

Paid School District No. 1	.	.	\$204 10	
No. 2	.	.	128 85	
No. 3	.	.	133 15	
No. 4	.	.	120 25	
No. 5	.	.	133 15	
No. 6	.	.	131 00	
No. 7	.	.	123 70	
No. 8	.	.	120 25	
No. 9	.	.	105 20	
No. 10	.	.	206 25	
No. 11	.	.	150 00	
No. 12	.	.	109 50	
No. 13	.	.	120 25	
No. 14	.	.	128 85	
No. 16	.	.	109 50	
No. 18	.	.	60 00	
No. 19	.	.	135 30	
No. 20	.	.	178 30	
No. 24	.	.	115 95	
			<hr/>	\$2,513 55

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES.

Paid state tax	.	.	.	\$2,604 00	
county tax	.	.	.	2,929 50	
				<hr/>	\$5,533 50

SUPPORT OF COUNTY PAUPERS.

Paid for support of Betsey P. Gage	.	\$49 00	
Marian B. Sargent	.	50 00	
Wrelton J. Felch	.	9 50	
John G. Dwinells	.	42 65	
Barnes Hazelton	.	52 00	
Joseph W. Hager	.	19 50	
Moses Keezer	.	19 00	
Benjamin H. Clark	.	56 12	
Sarah J. Clinton	.	9 00	
Newman L. Greene	.	7 00	
Peter Y. Otis	.	7 00	

Paid for support of Samuel Stoddard .	\$8 58	
Mary F. Harvey .	17 18	
Myron Chester .	7 00	
James M. Dwinells	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$358 53

TOWN PAUPERS.

Assistance rendered Angeline A. H. Kelley	\$163 60	
Assistance rendered Gould Brown .	22 01	
Assistance rendered Joseph H. Adams	11 50	
	<hr/>	\$197 11

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Paid H. H. Crowell, lists of 1878-79 and 1880	\$145 83	
John L. Taggart, list of 1881 .	64 10	
	<hr/>	\$209 93

CONTOOCOOK PRECINCT TAX.

Paid Isaac D. Merrill, treasurer .	\$300 00	
	<hr/>	\$300 00

REPAIRING HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Alonzo Currier, labor in highway		
Dist. No. 15	31 43	
H. J. Chandler, breaking roads,		
Dist No. 7	5 00	
Enoch Danforth, breaking roads,		
Dist. No. 7	10 75	
H. J. Chandler, breaking roads,		
District No. 6	2 50	
Samuel Curtice, labor in Dist.		
No. 2	4 85	
Daniel F. Fiske, breaking roads		
in Dist. No. 7	1 25	
H. J. Chandler, Dist. No. 7 .	22 39	
James F. Hoyt, " No. 12 .	31 59	

Paid George K. Weeks, Dist. No. 9	\$27 86
W. E. Mudgett, " No. 16	18 47
Alonzo Currier, " No. 15	24 57
M. W. Burbank, " No. 17	20 00
George H. Hilan, " No. 39	27 55
George W. French, " No. 6	6 25
G. H. Locke, " No. 25	55 87
Lewis C. Flanders, " No. 28	8 50
George W. Elliott, " No. 1	33 57
Elbridge G. Kimball, " No. 43	18 95
Thomas Hughes, " No. 1	7 00
Benjamin Hoyt, " No. 12	8 24
George B. Hardy, " No. 3	20 51
S. G. Bradbury, " No. 45	13 13
D. H. Crowell, " No. 36	67 51
T. O. Harrington, " No. 34	13 62
Timothy Colby, pine plank for Dist. No. 47	6 04
Walter C. Ager, breaking roads in Dist. No. 27	14 00
Walter C. Ager, plank for Tyler's bridge	2 00
Benj. Flanders, breaking roads in Dist. No. 29	12 67
Edson Boutwell, breaking roads in Dist. No. 40	3 50
H. W. Greene, breaking roads in Dist. No. 1	16 26
Samuel T. Symonds, breaking roads in Dist. No. 32	37 09
John F. Burnham, shingles for Tyler's bridge	76 95
Willie C. Rand, breaking roads in Dist. No. 19	26 85
Henry B. Davis, breaking roads in Dist. No. 26	27 83
James S. Tuttle, breaking roads in Dist. No. 4	20 01
E. G. Runnels, breaking roads in Dist. No. 37	19 36
David Seavey, shingling Tyler's bridge	35 00

Paid True J. Putney, breaking roads in Dist. No. 5	\$2 75
E. A. Boutwell, lumber for Tyler's bridge	34 29
Benj. Flanders, labor in high- way Dist. No. 29	1 65
F. E. White, breaking roads in highway Dist. No. 23	15 00
S. A. Hardy, breaking roads in highway Dist. No. 20	25 23
S. A. Hardy, breaking roads in highway Dist. No. 15	4 00
S. Flanders, breaking roads in highway Dist. No. 50	27 00
John W. Paige, breaking roads in highway Dist. No. 35	14 87
E. A. Boutwell, lumber for Tyler and Contoocook bridges	57 94
Geo. K. Goodrich, breaking roads in Dist. No. 38	31 27
John G. Brockway, poles and railing for Dist. No. 38	1 20
John F. Currier, breaking roads in highway Dist. No. 10	9 75
John F. Currier, railing and rods for bridge in Dist. No. 10	3 00
Cyrus F. Chase, labor on bridges	5 25
G. A. Stevens, labor on bridges	15 00
E. S. Richardson, drawing gravel to Tyler's bridge	4 50
C. O. Barton, breaking roads in highway Dist. No. 24	24 81
John Barnard, breaking roads in highway Dist. No. 35	17 29
E. A. Boutwell, labor in highway Dist. No. 1	10 00
Charles Gould, breaking road in Dist. No. 30	22 81
Henry D. Dustin, railing and rods for bridge in Dist. No. 16	6 75
Henry D. Dustin, labor in high- way Dists. Nos. 7 and 20	3 00
E. C. Bailey, lumber for highway Dist. No. 7	1 43

Paid G. C. Morgan, breaking roads in highway Dist. No. 53 . . .	\$22 24	
Rufus P. Copps, breaking roads in highway Dist. No. 23 . . .	7 51	
C. F. Clough, breaking roads in highway Dist. No. 51 . . .	7 12	
S. A. Hardy, posts and railing, highway Dist. No. 20 . . .	2 00	
S. F. Holmes, breaking roads in highway Dist. No. 8 . . .	38 62	
H. H. Crowell, breaking roads in highway Dist. No. 41 . . .	14 45	
H. H. Crowell, plank and labor on bridge in highway Dist. No. 41 . . .	6 50	
J. A. White, labor in highway Dist. No. 8 . . .	2 39	
E. A. Boutwell, breaking roads in highway Dist. No. 52 . . .	10 50	
G. A. Stevens, labor in highway Dists. Nos. 7 and 20 . . .	2 00	
W. B. Whittemore, breaking roads in highway Dist. No. 11 . . .	18 25	
S. S. Buswell, breaking roads in highway Dist. No. 33 . . .	9 60	
Jeremiah Abbott, labor in highway Dist. No. 33 . . .	4 00	
Jeremiah Abbott, breaking roads in highway Dist. No. 33 . . .	6 98	
John G. Brockway, stone and labor in highway Dist. No. 52 . . .	2 50	
		\$1,272 37

BOUNTY ON HAWKS AND CROWS.

Paid S. W. Merrill, bounty on 1 hawk	\$0 20
J. F. Hardy, bounty on 5 hawks	1 00
S. S. Kimball, bounty on 3 hawks	60
W. A. Currier, bounty on 1 hawk	20
W. A. Currier, bounty on 1 hawk	20
J. G. Brockway, bounty on 1 hawk	20
B. Flanders, bounty on 1 hawk	20

Paid Ira J. Felch, bounty on 1 hawk	\$0 20
H. C. Stevens, bounty on 1 hawk	20
W. H. Flanders, bounty on 1 hawk	20
R. W. Barton, bounty on 2 hawks	40
C. O. Barton, bounty on 10 crows	1 00
J. G. Brockway, bounty on 2 crows.	20
G. A. Stevens, bounty on 17 crows	1 70

 \$6 50

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid John F. Jones, services of auditors	\$9 00
H. W. Greene, services for town, 1880	25 00
Tilton Symonds, board of auditors	3 75
J. F. Burnham, taking depositions	1 00
John M. Milton, snowing Tyler and Blackwater bridges	11 00
John F. Jones, insurance on town house	50 00
W. Montgomery, error in taxes	1 43
John B. Clarke printing 650 town reports	20 00
A. H. Currier, express on town reports	0 25
E. D. French, services as supervisor	7 50
G. A. Libbey, lighting Contoocook bridge	6 50
H. F. Edmunds, notifying town officers	20 00
H. F. Edmunds, services as tramp police	2 00
G. A. Stevens, services as selectman, after settlement	7 00
G. H. H. Silsby & Son, books and stationery	18 41

Paid W. E. Mudgett, services as supervisor	\$7 50
F. W. Morgan, services as supervisor	7 50
W. E. Mudgett, services as supervisor, special meeting	7 50
F. W. Morgan, services as supervisor, special meeting	7 50
E. D. French, services as supervisor, special meeting	7 50
W. E. Mudgett, rent of engine hall	1 00
George C. Blaisdell, return of births and deaths	3 00
H. S. Chase, printing tax bills	4 25
W. E. Mudgett, working road-machine	264 66
Humphrey Machine Co., steel blade for road-machine	6 90
George H. Ketchum, repairs on bridge lantern	0 38
Frank J. Mudgett, repairs on road-machine	9 00
Edson Upton, repairs on road-machine	5 03
A. B. Wardsworth, repairs on road-machine	3 35
C. H. Harriman, return of births and deaths	3 25
Cyrus F. Chase, clearing cemetery at Clement's hill	2 50
J. G. Brockway, railing at town-house	1 90
George H. Pierce, snowing Hen-niker bridge	5 00
Alfred N. Chandler, error in taxes, 1881	8 55
Aaron Smith, labor in cemetery at Lake Village	5 00
H. H. Cröwell, non-resident highway tax paid in labor	9 14
Cyrus F. Chase, labor on hearse-house	1 00

Paid G. A. Stevens, services with road machine	\$3 00
G. H. Nichols, painting guide-boards and biers	2 00
Lucinda Wilson, error in precinct tax	2 76
John M. Milton, labor in cemetery at Blackwater	2 00
J. W. Wilson, return of births and deaths	3 00
John G. Patch, error in taxes, 1880	2 70
Henry D. Dustin, perambulating town lines	6 00
Gilmon A. Stevens, perambulating town lines, and copying	13 00
E. W. Stanley, drawing lumber to Dist. No. 7	1 00
Sewell Gage, error in taxes 1879, 1880	1 76
Orrin Chase, for Engine Co. No. 1, Contoocook	54 00
G. A. Stevens, making and erecting guide-boards	3 00
Isaac Rowell, snowing Rowell's bridge	8 00
Alexander Rogers, return of births and deaths	1 50
James M. Putnam, gravel and labor at cemetery, Contoocook	4 50
George W. Currier, interest on Larned legacy	25 00
David Seavey, error in tax	76
Timothy W. Chase, clearing cemetery at Contoocook	3 50
Enoch Danforth, services as selectman after settlement	7 00
John G. Brockway, perambulating town lines	2 00
John G. Brockway, erecting guide-boards	1 00
Enoch Danforth, wood for town-house	3 25

Paid G. A. Curtice, bolts, nails, and spikes for town	\$19 40	
Elijah Spencer, maintaining watering-trough	3 00	
Edson Upton, repairing sleigh damaged on highway	2 50	
John L. Taggart, non-resident tax paid in labor	10 55	
John G. Brockway, horse hire	10 00	
Henry D. Dustin, horse hire	10 00	
Gilmon A. Stevens, horse hire	15 00	
Abner C. Sargent, for maintaining watering-trough	2 00	
David L. Gage, recording births and deaths	15 00	
David L. Gage, postage and stationery	6 85	
David L. Gage, drawing and notifying jurors	4 67	
Benjamin P. Parker, books, stationery, and printing	2 59	
Henry D. Dustin, postage and stationery	90	
G. A. Stevens, postage and stationery	3 90	
G. A. Stevens, services as tramp police	1 50	
H. H. Crowell, error in taxes, 1880	92 75	
		\$905 59

SCHOOL-HOUSE TAX.

Paid William Montgomery for repairs on school-house, District No. 13	\$50 00
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TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Benj. P. Parker, services as superintending school committee	\$42 00
Elbridge G. Kimball, services as superintending school committee	35 00
H. Marion Edwards, services as superintending school committee	31 00

Paid Gilmon A. Stevens, services as selectman	\$128 50	
John G. Brockway, services as selectman	85 00	
Henry D. Dustin, services as selectman	98 00	
John L. Taggart, services as collector	100 00	
Isaac D. Merrill, services as treasurer	50 00	
David L. Gage, services as clerk	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$594 50

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN.

Town bonds against town		\$13,900 00
Taxes uncollected on lists 1872-3	\$17 80	
“ “ 1874-5	49 43	
“ “ 1876-7	39 78	
“ “ 1878	64 28	
“ “ 1879	9 25	
“ “ 1880	221 70	
“ “ 1881	456 15	
Cash on hand	1,730 32	
	<hr/>	\$2,588 71
Amount of indebtedness		\$11,311 29

GILMON A. STEVENS,
JOHN G. BROCKWAY,
HENRY D. DUSTIN,
Selectmen of Hopkinton.

The auditors find the accounts of the selectmen correctly cast and properly vouched.

HENRY H. CROWELL,
LEWIS D. EVANS,
Auditors.

HOPKINTON, March 1, 1882.

AUDITORS' REPORT

ON THE

TOWN TREASURER.

Isaac D. Merrill, in account with the town of Hopkinton, as treasurer for 1881:—

1. TAX ACCOUNT.

Resident tax	\$10,089 97	
Non-resident tax	395 71	
Dox tax	107 00	
School-house tax, Dist. No. 13	51 59	
Contoocook precinct tax	311 88	
	<hr/>	\$10,956 15
Taxes uncollected for 1872-3	\$17 80	
1874-5	49 43	
1876-7	39 78	
1878-9-80	2,523 33	
	<hr/>	\$2,630 34
		<hr/>
		\$13,586 49

Accounted for as follows:—

Cash from collector 1878-9-80	\$2,228 10	
1881	10,500 00	
	<hr/>	\$12,728 10
Taxes uncollected* for 1872-3	\$17 80	
1874-5	49 43	
1876-7	39 78	
1878-9-80	295 23	
1881	456 15	
	<hr/>	\$858 39
		<hr/>
		\$13,586 49

2. LERNED LEGACY ACCOUNT.

Securities on hand Feb. 23, 1881	\$500 00	
Interest collected	30 00	
	<hr/>	\$530 00

Accounted for as follows : —

Securities on hand March 1, 1882	\$500 00	
Interest carried to cash account	30 00	
	<hr/>	\$530 00

CASH ACCOUNT.

Cash on hand, as per settlement, Feb. 23, 1881	\$1,098 06	
Cash received from collector of taxes, 1878-79-80	2,228 10	
Cash received from collector of taxes, 1881	10,500 00	
Cash received from highway tax, Dist. No. 18	2 06	
Cash received from savings-bank tax	2,293 03	
Cash received from railroad tax	221 36	
Cash received from literary fund	140 61	
Cash received from insurance tax	5 25	
Cash received from support of coun- ty paupers	358 53	
Cash received from bounty on hawks and crows	5 70	
Cash received from interest on Lern- ed legacy	30 00	
Cash received from use of hearse out of town	3 00	
Cash received from use of derrick	4 00	
Cash received from house rent	6 00	
Cash received from sale of old plank	2 00	
Cash received from sale of old plank and stone	2 10	
	<hr/>	\$16,899 80

Accounted for as follows:—

Orders drawn by selectmen . . .	\$11,991 98
Coupons on bonds paid . . .	936 00
Bonds paid . . .	2,200 00
Interest on bonds paid . . .	41 50
Cash on hand . . .	1,730 32
	<hr/> \$16,899 80

The auditors certify that they have carefully examined the foregoing accounts of the treasurer, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

HENRY H. CROWELL,
LEWIS D. EVANS,
JOHN F. JONES,

Auditors.

HOPKINTON, March 1, 1882.

REPORT

OF THE

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

DISTRICT No. 1.—HOPKINTON VILLAGE.

Ada M. Thompson, Northwood, teacher. This teacher has confidence in her own abilities, is strong-willed and energetic. Order, with her, is the first law of the school-room. She succeeded in bringing this rather difficult school under a discipline not often seen. This was the most orderly school we visited during the year. Fair improvement was made in the several branches pursued.

Winter term, William H. Upton, Derry, teacher. We are able to report very satisfactory results from this school during the year. Mr. Upton was a stranger in town and without previous experience ; but being a fine scholar, clear-headed and apt in illustration, his labors were creditable to himself and profitable to the district. The examination showed thorough instruction and good improvement in all the classes. E.

DISTRICT No. 2.—EMERSON'S HILL.

Summer and fall terms, S. Clara White, teacher. Miss White labored to the extent of her ability to arouse in her pupils an ambition for improvement. If any failed to be benefited by her efforts, it must have been because they did

not properly appreciate them. As a teacher, Miss White merits and, in our opinion, receives the love and respect of all good children, and the confidence and respect of all right-minded parents. The instruction was excellent, and the improvement all that could have been expected.

Winter term, Levi W. Clough, teacher. Mr. Clough entered this school without experience, but with an earnest desire to please all. He is a good instructor, and the examination showed that all who had an inclination to improve had done so. This school requires close supervision in order to accomplish the best results. This term would have been more profitable had a stricter discipline been maintained. E.

DISTRICT No. 3.—HATFIELD.

Summer term, Carrie W. Patterson, teacher. With a natural love for the work and good qualifications, Miss Patterson succeeded well in this, her first term of school. Good order was maintained without great effort. Very little whispering was seen during the term. Useful oral instruction was given upon the map of New Hampshire, a map which should be in every school-room. Penmanship received good attention. We believe many older teachers have failed to do so well; still, with greater experience will come greater success.

Winter term, Abbie C. Page, Dunbarton, teacher. This teacher brings to her work ability and experience, united with tact and energy for the management of a school. She has a practical and business-like way which is very refreshing. When teaching she cares for nothing else, consequently her schools are always a success. The daily record of scholarship and deportment reflects much credit upon the scholars as well as teacher. E.

DISTRICT No. 4.—SUGAR HILL.

Summer term, Mrs. Delia Bohonan, teacher. Mrs. Bohonan is one of our very best teachers. Active and energetic, she has the faculty of interesting her scholars in their studies, and thus relieving the routine of the school-room of much of its dullness. The examination at the close of the term showed that the scholars had improved their time, and understood what they had been over. The classes in reading showed great improvement.

Winter term, Miss Helen A. Gould, teacher. Miss Gould is a quiet but earnest and faithful teacher, and under her care the school made good progress. The small scholars, especially, learned very fast. Some of the scholars need to learn to speak louder and more distinctly. K.

DISTRICT No. 5.—SOUTH ROAD.

Summer term, Miss Mary C. Foss, teacher. Miss Foss labored faithfully for the best interests of the school, and if any of the scholars failed to learn it was not the fault of the teacher. The examination at the close of the term was very satisfactory.

Fall and winter terms, Herbert H. Kimball, teacher. This was Mr. Kimball's first experience in teaching, and, though laboring under the disadvantage of its being in his own district, he succeeded well. The instruction was practical and thorough, and most of the scholars made good progress. K.

DISTRICT No. 6.—JEWETT ROAD.

The summer and fall terms were both taught by Miss Mary L. Flanders, who is an experienced teacher, and under more favorable circumstances would have kept a good school. At the close of the first term the school appeared well; but, owing to divisions and improper interference in the management of the school by some of the

parents, the second term was of but little benefit to the district. A few who attended regularly and tried to learn made good progress.

Winter term, Sumner E. Spencer, teacher. We were unable to visit this school at its close ; but from our knowledge of the teacher, and the appearance of the school at our first visit, have no doubt that it was a profitable term.

K.

DISTRICT No. 7.—MAIN ROAD.

Summer term, Miss Kate J. Kimball, teacher. This was Miss Kimball's third successive term in the district. She appeared to have gained the good will of her scholars, and the school at the closing examination appeared well in most respects. The reading was very good.

Fall term, Miss Mattie George, teacher. Miss George is an excellent teacher, and the scholars improved rapidly under her instruction. The examination was satisfactory in all respects.

Winter term, Miss Mary R. Webster, teacher. Miss Webster is a teacher of long experience and seems to understand her business. Her labors were well seconded by the scholars and their parents, and, as might be expected, it was a very profitable term. There are some of the best readers and speakers in this district that we have found.

K.

DISTRICT No. 8.—BEECH HILL.

Summer term, Miss Helen A. Gould, teacher. Although young and without experience in teaching, Miss Gould succeeded well in this school. She gained the good will and respect of her pupils, and they improved rapidly under her instruction.

Winter term, Harvey L. Boutwell, teacher. Mr. Boutwell is a thorough scholar and understands how to impart instruction to others. He was plain and practical in his

teaching; the scholars were obedient and studious; and the result was one of the best schools in town. Mr. B. says in his register: "I never had more obedient and studious pupils, nor did I ever have a colder school-house." This district needs a new school-house very much. K.

DISTRICT No. 9. — TYLER'S.

Summer term, Gracie D. Holmes, teacher. This was Miss Holmes's first experience in teaching. She entered upon her duties with earnestness and endeavored to do good work. The order was fair; progress, commendable.

Winter term, Henry C. Eastman, teacher. This was his first school. He succeeded well. The order was fair; lessons, well recited; progress, good. P.

DISTRICT No. 10. — CONTOOCOOK.

Summer term, Edna J. Richardson, teacher. Miss Richardson was faithful in imparting instruction. The scholars were nearly all small but made good improvement.

Fall term, Lizzie A. Fogg, teacher. Miss Fogg governs very easily. The order was good, and the general appearance of the school satisfactory. Good progress was made by the several classes.

Miss Fogg commenced the winter term, but owing to the sickness of her mother gave up the school at the close of the second week. Hattie L. Parker was employed to complete the school. Miss Parker was earnest and faithful; the instruction was thorough; the order and progress of the school were commendable. P.

DISTRICT No. 11. — CLEMENT'S HILL.

Summer and fall terms, Carrie J. Dow, teacher. Miss Dow was remarkably successful in gaining the good will of her scholars and the sympathy of their parents. She performed her duties as teacher to the satisfaction of the district.

Winter term, Henry Dodge, teacher. Want of sympathy between teacher and scholars was apparent, and the school appeared restless, yet good progress was made by some of the scholars. P.

DISTRICT NO. 12. — STUMPFIELD.

Mary M. Currier, teacher for the year. This was Miss Currier's first experience, and in her own district, but she seemed admirably adapted to the wants of the school. The scholars are young and few in number, but the energy and ambition of the teacher were manifest in every exercise. Thoroughness characterized all her work. Much oral instruction was given. Daily exercises upon the blackboard, also in penmanship. A pleasing feature of the examination was the presence of the parents, a pretty sure indication of success. E.

DISTRICT NO. 13. — PUTNEY'S HILL.

Miss Lizzie B. Rogers, teacher of both summer and winter schools. She appeared to have perfect control of the school. The scholars were studious and quiet; the general appearance of the school satisfactory. P.

DISTRICT NO. 14. — GAGE HILL.

Summer term, Carrie Montgomery, teacher. This is a school of bright, active boys and girls, in which a teacher finds ample opportunity to exercise every faculty. Miss Montgomery labors in a very quiet but effective manner. She does not make much display, but goes quietly about her work. Many of the scholars did not whisper during the term. The examination was very interesting. There is an unusual promptness about this school, which we do not find in any other. E.

Fall and winter terms. Flora E. Clough, teacher. Possessing good natural abilities, kind, faithful, and willing to aid her pupils, — this teacher had a quiet and profitable school. The respect shown their teacher by the large scholars reflects much credit upon their home instruction. The same promptness was manifest as in the previous term. The writing-books were neatly kept, and good improvement was made. We think this teacher deserves much praise for her efforts. Some of the best scholars in town, of their age, are found in this school. E.

DISTRICT No. 16. — WEST HOPKINTON.

Summer term, Lizzie A. Fogg, teacher. Being quiet, but firm and decided, Miss Fogg governed this school without any apparent effort. There seemed to be a healthier atmosphere pervading the school-room than we have always found here ; more respectful deportment on the part of the pupils, and more willing submission to discipline. We were perfectly satisfied with the appearance of the school during the visits we made.

Winter term. Warren B. Barton, teacher. Mr. Barton is a faithful and hard-working teacher, and we feel confident that his labors were appreciated by the district. There was a decided improvement in the deportment of some of the scholars at our second visit. The classes generally made good progress, and we think the teacher deserves much credit for the work performed. Some of the reading classes, and also the analysis, deserve special mention. E.

DISTRICT No. 18. — BUSWELL'S CORNER.

Summer and winter terms, taught by Miss Alice Montgomery. There was but one scholar returned from this district by the selectmen, and that one did not attend the summer school. There were but four scholars in the summer school, all from Concord. In the winter school there were ten scholars, — nine from Concord and one from this

town. They appeared to be obedient and studious, and the examination at the close of each term was creditable to both teacher and scholars ; but we doubt the expediency of maintaining a school in this district for the benefit of Concord scholars. K.

DISTRICT NO. 19. — BLACKWATER.

Miss Helen M. Low, teacher of both summer and winter schools. She is an experienced teacher, and performs her duties in a very quiet way. The closing examination was entirely satisfactory, commendable progress having been made in the various branches of study pursued. P.

DISTRICT NO. 20. — NORTH CONTOOCCOOK.

The summer, fall, and winter terms were taught by Miss H. Paulina Heath. Teacher and scholars worked together in harmony, — teacher, earnest ; scholars, wide-awake. Order, lessons, and whole appearance of the school were worthy of highest praise. An efficient teacher, a successful school. P.

DISTRICT NO. 24. — FARRINGTON'S CORNER.

Spring term, Abbie C Page, teacher. Miss Page entered this school with an experience of two previous terms in the district, and was well qualified to understand its wants ; and her labors, being well seconded by the scholars, made it a very profitable term. The examination was all that could be desired.

Fall and winter terms, taught by Miss Clara I. Gould, who is one of our most successful teachers, and under her care the school fully sustained its former good reputation. The examination at the close of the fall term was alike creditable to both teacher and scholars. The winter term closed unexpectedly, on account of the sickness of the teacher, and was not visited ; but we have no doubt that it was a pleasant and profitable term. K.

We are gratified in being able to report the schools of the past year so favorably. The teachers have generally been faithful, yet it is not supposable that all would possess the tact in governing and the skill in imparting instruction which has crowned several of them with remarkable success.

In laboring for the education of our children, the main point is to interest them in their several studies. This point gained, failure is impossible; without this, appropriations of money, however great, will fail to secure satisfactory results, though aided by all the appliances of the best school system. Though the accomplishment of this depends largely upon teachers, yet paternal influence has much to do with it. When parents take a lively interest in the education of their children, and occasionally spend an hour or two in the school-room, the children will be very sure to make rapid advancement.

We found in use in our schools parts of seven different series of arithmetics, of five different series of grammars, etc. In one school having but twelve scholars, arithmetics belonging to four different series were in use. By the introduction of new books, something has been done to remove this obstacle to the success of our schools; but much more remains to be done before there will be that uniformity of text-books which the interests of our schools require. The new books were exchanged even for the old, and all expense of transportation paid by the publishers. We call special attention to the situation in district No. 18, Buswell's Corner.

Respectfully submitted.

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Superintending School Committee.

HOPKINTON, Feb. 27, 1882.

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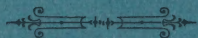
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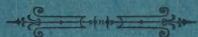
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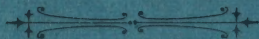
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